

Marriages

Barr-Hoge: At the home of the bride's parents, Hope, Ark., October 17, 1917, by Rev. John T. Barr, brother of the groom, and Rev. Leroy Thompson, Mr. Harvey Betts Barr and Miss Lola Alice Hoge, both of Hope.

Bedinger-Ware: At residence of the bride's parents, Ware's Wharf, Va., October 17, 1917, by Rev. B. F. Bedinger, father of the groom, Miss Anne Latane Ware was married to Lieutenant S. D. Bedinger, of the Forty-eighth Infantry, U. S. A.

Foster-Abramsohn: In the Presbyterian church, Holly Grove, Arkansas, on the evening of October 16, 1917, by Rev. J. H. Morrison, D. D., Mr. Gus Foster and Mrs. Alta Youngblood Abramsohn.

Hall-Caldwell: At the home of the bride's parents, Mount Ulla, N. C., August 29, 1917, by Rev. D. T. Caldwell, a brother of the bride, assisted by Rev. E. D. Brown, Mr. Carl Wells Hall, of Barber, N. C., and Miss Ruth Angeline Caldwell.

Hutchinson-Stevens: At the manse of the Park Avenue Presbyterian church, Norfolk, September 22, 1917, by Rev. E. L. Flanagan, Mr. Harvey Elwood Hutchinson and Miss Esther Pearl Stevens.

E. L. Flanagan.

Tillman-Dickson: At the home of the bride's parents, Crystal Springs,

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS.

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active workman, and, of course, from disease and starvation, was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

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C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

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Name.....

Address.....

Shipping Point.....

(Please write distinctly.)

Miss., October 10, 1917, by Rev. John M. Williams, Mr. John Sexton Tillman and Miss Annie Ethel Dickson, both of Crystal Springs.

Robertson-Cook: Near Holly Grove, Arkansas, October 7, 1917, at 5 P. M., one of the country's young soldiers, J. T. Robertson, and one of Mississippi's lovely daughters, Miss Maggie Cook, by Rev. J. H. Morrison, D. D.

Smith-Smith: At the manse, Denison, Texas, October 5, 1917, by Rev. J. E. Aubrey, Miss Anne F. Smith, of Corpus Christi, Texas, to Mr. Harold C. Smith, of Rockville, Maryland, grandson of the late William C. Black, of New Orleans.

Smoot-Coiner: Mr. E. Clyde Smoot, of Lynchburg, and Miss Blandine Coiner, of Waynesboro, Va., at the Jefferson Hotel, Richmond, on October 14 by Rev. M. R. Turnbull.

Taylor-Jones: At the residence of Mrs. Walter Dean, Norfolk, Va., May 11, 1917, by Rev. E. L. Flanagan, Mr. Robert L. Taylor, of Portsmouth, Va., and Miss Grace Jones, Corapeake, N. C.

Wharton-Nicolassen: On September 12, 1917, at the home of Mr. F. O. Thomas, Bedford, Va., by Rev. J. H. Grey, Mr. Thomas Jesse Wharton, Jr., of Jackson, Miss., and Miss Agnes Tinsley Nicolassen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Nicolassen, of Oglethorpe University, Georgia.

Deaths

CHARLES M. McELWEE.

Mr. Charles M. McElwee, the subject of this sketch was born in Bath County, Va., October 9, 1825, and died at his home near Low Moor, Va., September 29, 1917. Had he lived a few days longer he would have reached the advanced age of ninety-two years. He was the only son of John and Sarah McElwee. He lost his mother when he was only two years old, and at the age of twelve he left his home and started out in life for himself. From the very beginning he showed those sterling traits of character that distinguished him through life, and gave him the moral power he always exerted over others. During the last few years of his life, owing to the infirmities of his advanced age, he was deprived of mingling with his friends, but always gave them a cordial welcome when they visited him in his hospitable home. He left three children, one son and two daughters, Ledford, Miss Sallie and Mrs. Mary A. Proctor, all of whom ministered tenderly to his wants in his declining age.

Mr. McElwee united with the Presbyterian church in early life, and at the time of his death had been a ruling elder in the Clifton Forge Presbyterian church for more than twenty-five years. His strong Christian character impressed itself forcibly on all those who were associated with him, either in business or in Christian service. Those who knew him most intimately were most influenced by his devout and godly life. A very conspicuous trait of his character was his devotion to the house of God. His chief pleasure was in the worship of the sanctuary; and it was the fixed rule of his life never to allow trivial matters to keep him from the house of God. Long after he was afflicted with partial blindness, his friends and relatives would lead him to his accustomed seat, where he was one of the most attentive listeners to the word. He was no less devoted to prayer. He believed implicitly in its power, and made it the channel

through which the richest and sweetest spiritual blessings flowed steadily into his life. During his last few days, when he was lingering within the portals of the Celestial City, he would frequently call his children to his bedside to pray. He loved the mercy-seat. His Christian character was of that positive type that makes no compromise with worldliness, but by the strength of its convictions witnesses a good confession for Christ and the power of his grace. His faith never faltered, and when the end came all was perfect peace.

"The hoary head is a crown of glory if it be found in the way of righteousness."

L. H. Paul.

AN APPRECIATION.

Miss Mary Arabella Gilliam Foote was born in Romney, W. Va., March 12, 1846, and departed this life July 29, 1917, at Romney. She was the only daughter of the late distinguished Rev. William Henry Foote, D. D., and Mary Arabella Gilliam, a native of Petersburg, Va. Her father was pastor of the Romney Presbyterian church for about forty-five years, and was widely known throughout West Virginia, Virginia and North Carolina as well as by his Church through his valuable contributions to the histories and biographies of those States and to the Church in his books; viz., "Sketches of Virginia" (2 volumes), "Sketches of North Carolina" (recently republished) and "The Huguenots." Dr. Foote was twice married and Mrs. Judge J. D. Armstrong was the only child by the first marriage, as Miss Mary Belle was by the second marriage. Her mother came from fine old Virginia stock, and was a Christian lady of refinement.

Reared by such parents it is not surprising that at the early age of thirteen she united with her father's church in Romney, and continued actively in its work for fifty-eight years. She possessed an amiable disposition, was kind-hearted, tender and generous to a degree not usually seen. Many of the poor, white and black, were the recipients of her benefactions through long years, and now mourn her loss as one of their best friends. She was firm and sincere in her friendships, and she had many, and her lifelong residence in the town of her birth had made her universally beloved, and no woman in the community was more looked up to than Miss Mary Belle. Her influence, her loss and her benefactions will long be

felt in the church of her choice and in the community. "She being dead yet speaketh." She was that type of Christian character that made every one who knew her recognize in her a devoted follower of her Saviour. She was simple in her faith, accepting the Bible as her rule of conduct and the ground of her hopes. She believed its truths implicitly. Perhaps her most conspicuous characteristic was her love for Jesus Christ and his Church. As a consequence she loved all Christians of all denominations, but she loved her own Church, its doctrines, its government and its worship with a peculiar ardour. She was active in its Sunday-schools, its societies and in every work which she believed would further the cause of her Lord and Master. No pastor ever had a firmer supporter in his work, and no church ever had a member more earnestly desirous of serving the church, or more faithful in the discharge of her obligations to it, or more liberal in her contributions to its work. It has been said by one who knew her intimately: "She is the very best Christian I ever saw"; and it may be truly said, too, that her church and her Lord's work was her life—she lived for him.

While she was the last of her immediate family, for she had but one living first cousin, her friends mourn her loss as sincerely as if she had been knit to them by the ties of blood. She was laid to rest by her father and mother in the beautiful "Indian Mound Cemetery" overlooking the limpid waters of the South Branch of the Potomac, while her sweet spirit drinks of the waters of life in the heavenly kingdom. Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord. Pastor.

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